RESOLUTION NO 040819-2

A Resolution of the Borough of Gettysburg, Adams County, Pennsylvania, in Support of Specific Amendments to the PA Open Records Laws

WHEREAS, the Right to the immediate review of any documentation detailing the public actions of our elected and appointed governmental and public officials should be unfettered to their direct constituents and the Media/Press, and;

WHEREAS, those employed by such governmental and public agencies should reasonably expect a Right to Privacy concerning their personal information, such as their home addresses, phone numbers, email addresses, etc., for the sake of their personal safety and well-being, and;

WHEREAS, a current trend of for-profit, non-constituent requests of governmental and public agencies for this and other information has resulted in countless hours of labor and preparation by these agencies to fill requests designed to data-mine public records, to be repackaged and sold for profit, and;

WHEREAS, these agencies cannot currently recuperate the costs associated with these forprofit, non-constituent requests, placing the burden of funding this research squarely on the wallets of the local taxpayers;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the elected members of the (AUTHORITY) hereby petition the State Representatives and Senators duly elected from our district, including the Governor and Lt. Governor, to support the ideals contained within this Official Resolution to safeguard the Financial and Personal Safety of our citizens by amending our PA Open Records Laws to exclude the personal information of our agency employees and to allow for a fair, recuperative fee to be charged for labor time spent on non-constituent requests.

ADOPTED THIS 8TH DAY OF APRIL 2019

ATTEST

Sara L. Stull, Borough Secretary

BOROUGH OF GETTYSBURG

Susan C. Naugle

President of Borough Council